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Title of the Invention: EGF RECEPTOR TRANSACTIVATION BY G-PROTEIN-COUPLED RECEPTORS REQUIRES METALLOPROTEINASE CLEAVAGE OF pro-HB-EGF

## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.121**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

January 24, 2003

Dear Sir:

In further response to the non-final Office Action dated May 21, 2002, Applicants request entry of the amendments below and reconsideration of the application.

## In the Claims:

Please add the following new claim to the application.

--36.(New) A method for modulating a G-protein mediated signal transduction comprising:

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providing a cell having a disturbed G-protein mediated signal transduction and a receptor tyrosine kinase capable of activation by G-protein mediated signal transduction, wherein said receptor tyrosine kinase is selected from the group consisting of EGFR and other members of the EGFR family, said cell comprising an extracellular domain and having a G-protein mediated signal transduction pathway wherein one or more tyrosine